

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

## MONEY AND STOCKS.

New York Financial Market.  
NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Money—1½ per cent. closed at 1 per cent.

Print Mercantile Paper—4½ per cent.

Governments—Quiet but steady, with quotations unchanged except the 3 per cents., which are ½ per cent. lower.

State Securities—Strong and business fairly active.

There was some improvement in business at the Stock Exchange to-day, as shown by the total number of shares traded in, which amounted to 209,361 shares, a gain over yesterday of 31,990 less 18. But it is still much below business for the same past, not including yesterday. The feature of to-day's market was the strength and activity in Lake Shore and the dullness in the general list until late in the afternoon. Prices at the opening were about steady, but in early dealings the whole market declined a fraction, led by the Northwest, which dropped suddenly from 92½ to 93, on the publication of the official statement of the earnings of the second week in the current month, which fell off \$6,700, as compared with the corresponding week of last year. The weakness in this and other stocks, however, was of short duration, and after 10:30 the whole market became strong. After midday on limited business was suspended, to-day, the market quotations during which St. Paul and Missouri Pacific each declined 1 cent, the former to 72½, the latter to 93½. Lackawanna sold down from 99½ in the forenoon to 97½. Shortly before 2 o'clock the whole market, led by Lake Shore, took a turn towards again becoming strong, increased slightly, and from this movement it was evident that the market had made a gain over yesterday of 11,990 less 18. Corn—Very firm and active; all grades will find ready customers at full quotations. Receipts only fair. Good local demand. Future not wanted. New York—No lower. Baltimore 9½ per cent. higher, with Chicago 1½ lower.

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quotable change in either. The outlook for the spring trade is generally very fair. In the produce market some changes in prices are noted. Poultry, butter and eggs are in good demand and scarce, owing to the inability of the hucksters to get around and gather them up.

**GRAIN.**

Wheat—Light arrivals make it difficult for buyers to fill orders, and consequently we quote a firm market, with meager offerings. Futures dull and uncollected for. New York steady; Baltimore ½ @ 16 higher, with Chicago 1½ lower.

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Floor, white	2,000
Wheat, white	16,800
Dress, white	900
2½, bu.	2,000

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